NOTICE OF DECISION UNDER REGULATION 32
FILM POSTERS

VIDEO SLICK

TO: The Film and Video Labelling Body Inc.
PO Box 2627
Ponsonby
Auckland

Pursuant to regulation 32 of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Regulations 1994 the film poster entitled:

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is **Not Approved.**

if approval refused, the reasons for the decision:

The video slick is not approved, primarily because of some of the text it contains.

The video slick contains photographs which predominantly depict sexual activity and/or nudity in an explicit manner and sexually explicit text in French. Several photographs of sexual activity feature insertions with dildos which, despite the use of graphics obscuring genitalia and anuses, produce an overall degrading effect due to their close-up focus.

However, of greater concern is the text which refers to a schoolboy and his mother engaging in sexual activity in terms, including offensive and sexually explicit language, which appear to be intended to sexually arouse the reader. The Classification Office considers that if this video slick was submitted under s13(1) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993, it would be likely to be classified as objectionable as the text tends to promote and support the exploitation of young persons, as well as presenting incestuous relationships in a manner suggesting that such relationships are legitimate and acceptable. In accordance with regulation 28(3)(a), the video slick is not approved.

Given the content of this text and the manner in which it is presented, it is considered that the decision to not approve the video slick is a reasonable and justified limitation on the freedom expressed in s14 of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990.

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